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From: Cohen, Mark /O=WOFFORD COLLEGE/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=COHENM
Subject: Wofford football's Whitney named to Academic All-America team
Date: December 1, 2004 at 11:48 AM
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Wofford defensive end Ben Whitney has received second-team Academic All-America honors from the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA). The squad combines Division I-A and I-AA players.

A senior from Greensboro, N.C., Whitney placed second on the Terriers in tackles for a loss (15.5) and sacks (six). He totaled 39 stops in the 2004 campaign. His year was cut short when he suffered a season-ending shoulder injury in the first half of the Nov. 13 home contest with Furman.

Whitney carries a 3.50 grade-point average while majoring in mathematics with a minor in economics.

Whitney is Wofford football's first Academic All-America since Brian Bodor in 2000.

From: Cohen, Mark /O=WOFFORD COLLEGE/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=COHENM
Subject: Wofford football's Basinger and Deutsch named to All-America team
Date: December 10, 2004 at 3:04 PM
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Wofford defensive end Lee Basinger and offensive guard Eric Deutsch have been named to the 2004 Walter Camp Division I-AA All-America team.

The team is selected by the head coaches and sports information directors of the Division I-AA football schools and certified by UHY Advisors, a Connecticut-based accounting firm.

Wofford, Cal Poly and Weber State were the only schools to have more than one selection on this year's squad.

Basinger, a Buck Buchanan Award finalist for Division I-AA Defensive Player of the Year, topped all Terrier linemen in tackles and tied for second on the team with 78 stops.

A senior from Kannapolis, N.C., Basinger had 16 tackles for a loss with 7.5 sacks. He concludes his Wofford career ranking second on the Terriers' all-time list for stops behind the line of scrimmage (61).

Deutsch was a 2003 consensus All-America and last year's recipient of the SoCon's Jacobs Blocking Trophy as the league's top offensive lineman. The senior from Cincinnati, Ohio, posted a team-high 120 knockdown blocks in helping lead the Terriers to an 8-3 record in the 2004 campaign.

Walter Camp, "The Father of American Football," first selected an All-America team in 1889. Camp, a former Yale University student-athlete and football coach, is also credited with developing play from scrimmage, set plays and the restriction to 11-men per side.

The Walter Camp Football Foundation, a New Haven, Conn., based all-volunteer group, was founded in 1967 to perpetuate the ideals of Camp and to continue the tradition of selecting All-America teams for I-A and I-AA.

From: Cohen, Mark /O=WOFFORD COLLEGE/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=COHENM
Subject: Two Wofford football players receive TSN All-America honors
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The 2004 Sports Network Division I-AA All-America squad has Wofford defensive end Lee Basinger and offensive guard Eric Deutsch as first-team selections.

Voting was conducted among I-AA sports information directors and selected media. More than 100 ballots were cast.

Wofford was the only team with a first-team All-America on both sides of the ball.

A Buck Buchanan Award finalist for Division I-AA Defensive Player of the Year, Basinger topped all Terrier linemen in tackles. His 78 stops tied for second on the team.

The senior from Kannapolis, N.C., had 16 tackles for a loss with 7.5 sacks. He concluded his Wofford career ranking second on the Terriers' all-time list for stops behind the line of scrimmage (61).

Deutsch has received consensus All-America honors for the second straight season. The senior from Cincinnati, Ohio, posted a team-high 120 knockdown blocks as Wofford placed second in the nation in team rushing with an average of 305.1 yards per game.

Deutsch was the 2003 recipient of the SoCon's Jacobs Blocking Trophy as the league's top offensive lineman.

Basinger and Deutsch were also named last week to the Walter Camp All-America team.

From: Cohen, Mark /O=WOFFORD COLLEGE/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=COHENM
Subject: Wofford football duo makes it an All-America hat trick
Date: December 15, 2004 at 4:50 PM
To:

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Wofford defensive end Lee Basinger and offensive guard Eric Deutsch are first-team selections on the 2004 Associated Press Division I-AA All-America team.

It's the third different first-team All-America honor in the last week for the Terrier seniors. Basinger and Deutsch have also received first-team All-America accolades from the Walter Camp Foundation and The Sports Network.

A Buck Buchanan Award finalist for Division I-AA Defensive Player of the Year, Basinger topped all Terrier linemen in tackles. His 78 stops also tied for second on the team.

The Kannapolis, N.C., native had 16 tackles for a loss with 7.5 sacks. He concludes his Wofford career ranking second on the Terriers' all-time list for stops behind the line of scrimmage (61).

Deutsch has received consensus All-America honors for the second straight season. He posted a team-high 120 knockdown blocks as Wofford placed second in the nation in team rushing with an average of 305.1 yards per game.

Deutsch (Cincinnati, Ohio) was also last year's recipient of the SoCon's Jacobs Blocking Trophy as the league's top offensive lineman.

From: Cohen, Mark /O=WOFFORD COLLEGE/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=COHENM
Subject: Wofford's Basinger named to his fourth All-America team
Date: December 16, 2004 at 3:59 PM
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Wofford football standout Lee Basinger is the lone SoCon player named to the American Football Coaches Association (AFCA) All-America team.

It's the fourth All-America honor this season for the senior from Kannapolis, N.C. A finalist for the Buck Buchanan Award as Division I-AA Defensive Player of the Year, Basinger has already been selected to All-America teams by the Walter Camp Foundation, The Sports Network and Associated Press.

Basinger was a consensus preseason All-America.

"It feels great," Basinger said. "At the beginning of the season, I wasn't sure how I'd deal with the pressure. I'm glad in the end all the hard work paid off."

Basinger's 78 stops led all Wofford defensive linemen and placed him in a tie for second on the team. He had 16 tackles for a loss with 7.5 sacks. He concludes his Wofford career ranking second on the Terriers' all-time list for stops behind the line of scrimmage (61).

"He's a really good technician who's really fast," Furman consensus All-America offensive tackle Ben Bainbridge said. "That's what makes him effective."

From: Cohen, Mark /O=WOFFORD COLLEGE/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=COHENM
Subject: Wofford football duo named to Academic All-Star team
Date: December 17, 2004 at 12:36 PM
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Wofford inside linebacker Josh Smith and quarterback Jeff Zolman have been selected to the 2004 Division I-AA Athletic Directors Association Academic All-Star team.

The Terriers have the maximum two players per team allowed on the 36-man squad that was chosen from 86 nominees. Wofford has two of the three SoCon players on the team and joins Delaware, Liberty and New Hampshire as the only schools with more than one selection.

Smith carries the highest grade-point average (3.86) on the Terriers. The Greer, S.C., native and biology major will return next fall for a fifth year of eligibility. Smith totaled 34 tackles this season, including two for a loss. He also had a forced fumble, quarterback hurry and pass breakup.

Smith is a two-time Academic All-District selection.

Zolman carries a 3.49 GPA while majoring in finance with a minor in economics.

The senior from Dayton, Ohio, closed his career with a 26-6 record (.813) as the Terriers' starting quarterback. He is also Wofford's career leader in completion percentage (58.3, 109-of-180).

Zolman totaled 958 yards of offense for Wofford this season. He ran for 394 yards and five touchdowns while completing 60.0 percent (36-of-60) of his pass attempts for 564 yards and six scores.

Zolman had 2,997 yards of total offense with 28 touchdowns in his career. He rushed for 20 scores and 1,559 yards while adding 1,438 yards and eight touchdowns in the air.

From: Cohen, Mark /O=WOFFORD COLLEGE/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=COHENM
Subject: 2004 Wofford football season recap
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Included below are season-ending notes on the 2004 Wofford football team ...

*With an 8-3 record, Wofford is the SoCon's winningest team over the last three seasons with a 29-8 overall record (.784) and 18-5 league mark (.783).

*With 33 victories, this year's seniors graduated as the winningest class in school history. The previous mark of 32 victories was shared by the 1969-72 and 2000-03 squads.

*Ranked 18th in the final regular-season poll, the Terriers hold the nation's second-longest current streak for consecutive rankings in the Division I-AA Top 25 poll. Wofford has appeared in 36 consecutive polls since Oct. 21, 2002. Only Montana (93 polls) has been ranked longer than the Terriers.

*Wofford improved its all-time SoCon mark to 36-27 (.571), an impressive feat considering that its debut season in 1997 represented just its third year on the Division I-AA level.

*Lee Basinger was a finalist for the Buck Buchanan Award as Division I-AA Defensive Player of the Year. He also received first-team All-America honors from the Walter Camp Foundation, The Sports Network, Associated Press and the America Football Coaches Association (AFCA).

*Offensive guard Eric Deutsch, the 2003 SoCon Jacobs Blocking Trophy recipient as the league's top offensive lineman, was a consensus All-America for the second straight season.

*Defensive end Ben Whitney received second-team Academic All-America honors.

*Wofford once again dominated the Academic All-District team. The Terriers had six selections (wide receiver Matt Beavin, defensive backs Shane Fast and Jonathan Wheeler, defensive linemen Katon Bethay and Ben Whitney and linebacker Josh Smith). For five straight seasons, Wofford has placed the most members on the squad. The Academic All-District team combines Division I-A and I-AA members in a five-state region. Wofford had six of the seven SoCon players on the team and totaled more selections than the entire ACC combined (five).

*The Terriers were represented by a league-best 11 players on the TIAA-CREF Fall Academic All-SoCon team. No other school had more than five football players selected. Wofford had one-third (11-of-33) of the football players named to the squad. Representing Wofford were wide receiver Matt Beavin, offensive tackle Tim Beckner, nose tackle Katon Bethay, safety Shane Fast, outside linebacker Kyle Horne, outside linebacker Derek Newberry, offensive tackle Davy Olmsted, inside linebacker Josh Smith, cornerback Jonathan Wheeler, defensive tackle Ben Whitney and quarterback Jeff Zolman.

*Inside linebacker Josh Smith and quarterback Jeff Zolman were selected to the 2004 Division I-AA Athletic Directors Association Academic All-Star team. The Terriers have

the maximum two players per team allowed on the 36-man squad that was chosen from 86 nominees. Wofford has two of the three SoCon players on the team and is one of just four schools with more than one selection. Smith carries the highest grade-point average (3.86) on the Terriers.

*Wofford had six players receive All-SoCon honors: defensive end Lee Basinger, nose tackle Katon Bethay, offensive guard Eric Deutsch, offensive guard Bobby Gibbs, offensive tackle Kevin Hodapp and running back Kevious Johnson.

*Lee Basinger and inside linebacker Justin Franklin received SoCon Defensive Player of the Week honors following Wofford victories over Western Carolina and VMI, respectively. Cornerback Brian Kemp was the SoCon Freshman of the Week after a win over Johnson C. Smith.

*Quarterback Jeff Zolman was selected as the TIAA-CREF SoCon Student-Athlete of the Week for Nov. 9.

*The Terriers have won 13 of their last 14 home games and are 17-2 in their last 19 Gibbs Stadium dates going back to the start of the 2002 campaign.

*Jeff Zolman graduates with a 26-6 record as the Terriers' starting quarterback. He's also Wofford's career leader in completion percentage (58.3, 109-of-180).

*Kevious Johnson rushed for 1,035 yards to become the second Wofford running back in the last 25 years to reach the 1,000-yard mark. His total was the highest by a Terrier back since Lenny Best ran for 1,120 yards in 1979. Johnson averaged 6.0 yards per carry in rushing for nine touchdowns.

*Kevious Johnson returned the season's opening kickoff 90 yards for a touchdown in a 24-22 win at South Carolina State. It was the Terriers' first kickoff return for a touchdown since 1982.

*Matt Beavin had three receptions for 123 yards against Furman for the Terriers' highest single-game receiving day since Darrick Adams had 144 yards on three catches in a 42-17 win at Catawba on Sept. 26, 1992. It was also the first 100-yard receiving day by a Wofford player since Curtis Nash totaled 102 yards with four receptions in a 38-6 win over Western Carolina (Oct. 18, 2003). Beavin's 73-yard reception from Jeff Zolman in the Furman game was Wofford's longest pass play since Oct. 14, 2000, when Travis Wilson connected with Jesse McCoy for a 73-yard touchdown on the Terriers' opening play from scrimmage in a 40-31 win over Western Carolina.

*Wofford blocked three punts and has 15 blocks since the start of the 2002 season. The Terriers have totaled 47 punt blocks in coach Mike Ayers' 17-year tenure.

*Wofford placed second nationally in team rushing with its average of 305.1 yards per game. Individually, Kevious Johnson and Gabriel Jackson placed third and sixth, respectively, in the league with per game averages of 94.1 and 58.8 yards. Jackson led the

SoCon with a 7.0 per carry average while Johnson was tied for third at 6.0. Johnson's 183 yards in a 27-13 win at Elon (Oct. 9) were the most by a Wofford player since Jesse McCoy ran for 184 yards in a 27-14 victory over The Citadel in 2002.

*Inside linebackers Jim Thurman and Timmy Thrift closed the season ranking second and third, respectively, on the Terriers' career tackles list for the Division I-AA era (1995-present). Thurman has 262 stops, trailing only Matt Nelson (452, 2000-03). Thrift, a 2003 All-SoCon selection and a 2004 preseason All-America, closed his career with 237 tackles after suffering a season-ending knee injury in the Oct. 16 Western Carolina game. With another season of eligibility remaining, Thurman is already fifth on Wofford's all-time tackles chart. He needs just 26 stops to move into third place.

*Sophomore inside Justin Franklin topped Wofford with 116 tackles, 38 more than the next closest Terriers (Lee Basinger and Jim Thurman, 78).

*Lee Basinger closed his career ranking second on the Terriers' career list in tackles for a loss (61).

*The Terriers had 16 touchdowns of at least 25 yards in length.

*The 112 points Wofford scored in back-to-back wins over Johnson C. Smith and Chattanooga were its most in consecutive games since 1949. It also represented the first time in school history that the Terriers topped 50 points in back-to-back contests.

*After leading the nation in 2003 in turnover margin (+23) and turnovers gained (41), Wofford again topped the SoCon while ranking in a tie for eighth in Division I-AA at +11.

*The Terriers topped the SoCon in kickoff return average (21.1) and net punting (34.9) while placing second in punt returns (9.1).

*Wofford's SoCon-leading 15 interceptions came from 12 different players. The Terriers' 25 sacks were second.

*Wofford placed second in the SoCon in rushing defense, allowing just 130.1 yards per game on a league-low 3.3 per carry average. The Terriers were third in total defense (325.0 yards each contest).

*Wofford ranked third in the SoCon with its average of 13.4 yards per pass completion.

*The 56-0 win over Johnson C. Smith, the Terriers' first shutout since a 48-0 blanking of Newberry in 2002, was Wofford's largest margin of victory since a 77-7 win over Lees-McRae in 1992. The 56 points were also the most for the Terriers dating back to a 59-14 win over VMI in 2001.

*The 49-17 win over Gardner-Webb marked the first time since the 1988 season opener versus Catawba (Mike Ayers' first game as head coach) that the Terriers had three touchdown passes.

*The 56-0 win over Johnson C. Smith was Wofford's fourth straight home-opening victory. During that stretch, the Terriers have outscored their opposition by a 174-23 margin.

*The Terriers lost three defensive starters (outside linebacker Steve Hoover, inside linebacker Timmy Thrift and defensive end Ben Whitney) to season-ending injuries while two other defensive starters (inside linebacker Jim Thurman and strong safety Ryan Steele) also missed games. The Terriers were also hit hard by injuries on the offensive side. All-SoCon offensive tackle Kevin Hodapp, the team leader in knockdown blocks prior to being sidelined by injury, missed three games while running back Kevious Johnson was forced out of action in the first half of the Furman contest.

*Western Carolina coach Kent Briggs said the following on Oct. 16, 2004 in the Asheville Citizen-Times, "This week, we're playing the best-coached team (Wofford) in the country."